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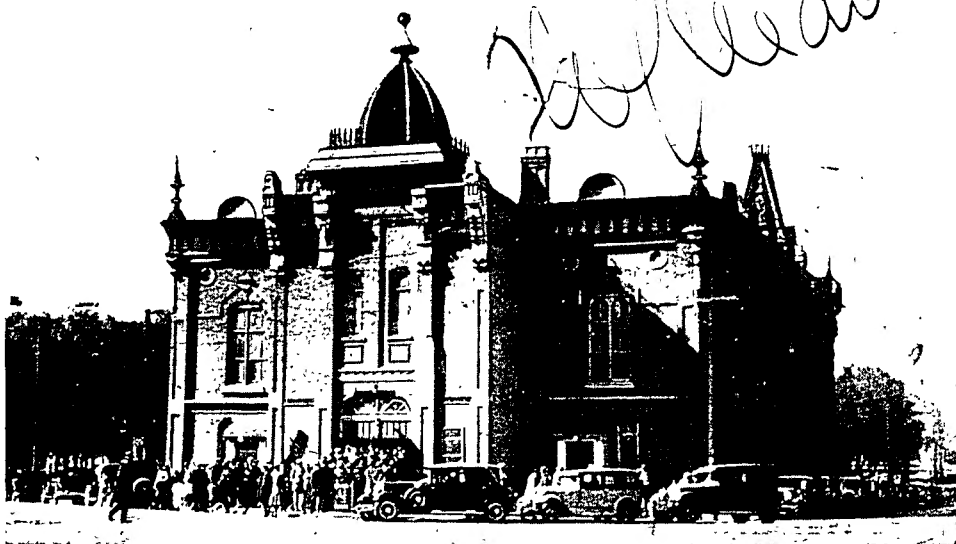
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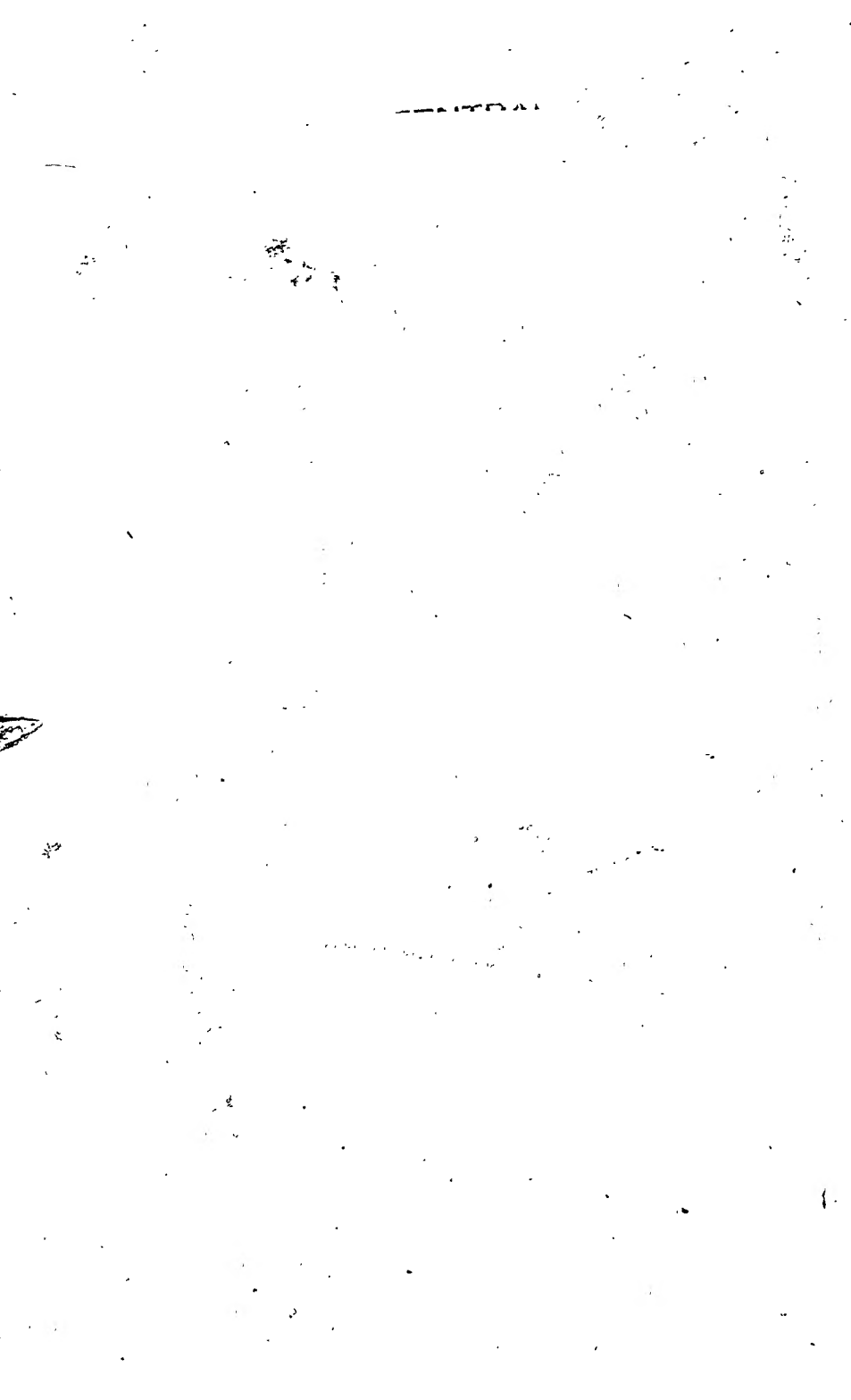
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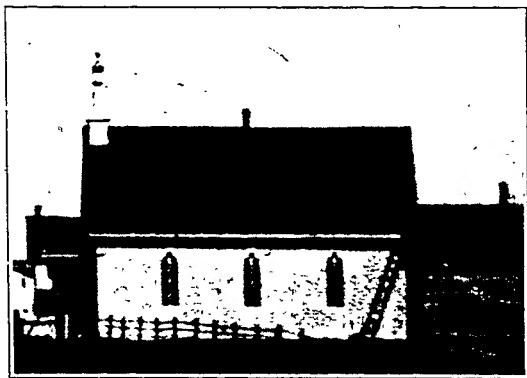
IT is a thrilling bit of Canadian history which tells of a land once the haunt of the buffalo and the domain of the Indian becoming, within a few generations, a great centre of civilization. Such is the romantic story of the Canadian Northwest—and the best is yet to be.

The first white man in Manitoba was Pierre Esprit Radison, discoverer of the upper reaches of the Mississippi. Later, in 1788 La Verendrye arrived at the Forks of the Red and the Assiniboine, and what is Winnipeg today was a village of ten Cree lodges. Here the explorer built his Fort Rouge. Long before the coming of La Verendrye the Hudson's Bay Company had been pushing down from the Bay and spreading across the great West, but not without a fierce struggle against opposing interests.

The Norwesters built their Fort Gibraltar in 1806 and made it the headquarters of their trade. Lord Selkirk brought his Scottish settlers down through Hudson Bay to the Red River in 1812 and to their hardships as pioneers in a new world was added the hostility of the men who wanted to keep the country wild and who would not admit the Hudson's Bay Company's ownership of the land sold to Selkirk. The settlement was destroyed and at the Battle of Seven Oaks, Robert Semple, Hudson's Bay Company governor, was killed. In 1817 the colony was restored and in 1821 the two enemy companies settled their differences by amalgamating. Fort Garry was built on the site of Fort Gibraltar a year later.

This brief outline of history would be incomplete without a reference to the union of the Red River Settlement with Canada. John Black, pioneer Presbyterian missionary to the west, writing to his brother in Scotland, discusses the union movement in these words: "I do not know whether Canadian annexation will much better them. However, it looks as if the time was come for a change, and if we suffer some inconvenience during the transition period, perhaps 'the good time coming' may compensate for all. I have taken no part for or against the movement. I do not think it is good for ministers to jump into the maelstrom of politics. Let them stop till they are pushed in. I have my views and preferences, but in the meantime I am better pleased to be out."

Some of the people of the Red River at that time petitioned the American Government asking it to "annex the Red River territory to the United States, and promising assistance against the Hudson's Bay Company in case of war."



THE FIRST GRACE CHURCH

A counter-proposal made to "The President of the Executive Council, Toronto, Canada," was signed by "Roderick Kennedy and 574 others," reciting their grievances and appealing for reception by Canada. The petition says: "We love the British name! We are proud of that glorious fabric, the British Constitution, raised by the wisdom, cemented and hallowed by the blood of our forefathers. . . . It will be seen, therefore, that we have no other choice than the Canadian plough and printing press, or the American rifle and fugitive slave law."

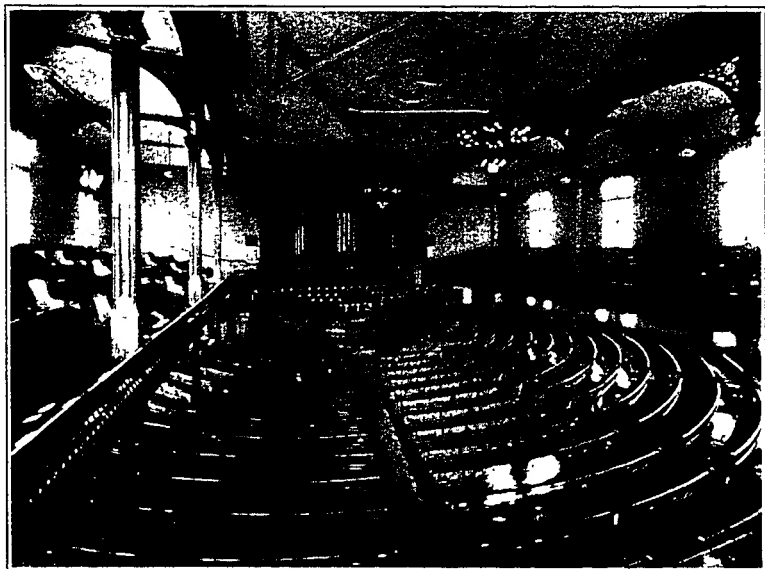
So it came to pass that the negotiations between Canada and the Hudson's Bay Company proved favourable. The wide fields of the Northwest were to become Canadian, and a million and a half of dollars were to make up the loss to the veteran company. Hon. William McDougall was chosen as first Governor and was sent by way of Minnesota and Dakota to his new vice-royalty. All this took place within the few years preceding the arrival of Dr. George Young.

In October, 1869, a company of French halfbreeds took possession of the Queen's highway, some nine miles south of Fort Garry, and proposed to prevent Mr. McDougall, the new Governor, entering the colony.

Louis Riel, the dictator leader, led the halfbreeds who were afraid of losing their lands in the surge of development, and captured the fort. An expeditionary force under Colonel Wolseley arrived the following year to find that Riel had fled to the United States. The rebellion broke out again, farther west, in Saskatchewan, in 1885 and resulted in Riel's execution.

Winnipeg in 1868 when the Methodist Mission, which developed into Grace Church, was organized, was a tiny settlement boasting of a few hundred people. Yet such was the spirit and faith of the people that in

1873, six years after Confederation and three years after the Province of Manitoba had been created, Winnipeg was incorporated as a city. It is interesting to note that the city was named after Lake Winnipeg, an inland water larger than Lake Ontario. Mr. James H. Ashdown, a name long associated with Grace Church, was the father of the city, and it was his perseverance which won out in the bitter legislative battle which ensued when certain influences sought to keep the child "Winnipeg" in swaddling clothes.



THE PRESENT GRACE CHURCH, ERECTED SIXTY YEARS AGO

PIONEERING THE GOSPEL—Among the great pioneers who fashioned the epic story of our Canadian History, stands a valiant servant of God—Dr. George Young, an intrepid missionary who organized religious services in the small community of Fort Garry in the year 1868. It is said that the community boasted two score houses, one hundred persons, three trading posts, several saloons, but until the coming of Dr. Young there was no church or school house. I have seen a picture of those early days, and the characters depicted indicated the need of the Christian missionary and his influence. The first services were held in a small building on Notre Dame Avenue, then in the Court House, a primitive log building just outside the walls of Fort Garry, and again in a rented building on Portage Avenue near Main Street, which was called Wesley Hall. The missionary and his family lived in the upper rooms, and services were begun on December 14, 1868. This was the first Wesley

Hall. An acre of land was donated by the Hudson's Bay Company, and Dr. George Young and his family moved into this Wesley Hall, No. 2, on August 17, 1869. A class meeting was held on the same day, and the missionary preached on the following Sunday, August 22nd, from the text, "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us." At High Bluff, the first class meeting was established. On September 17, 1871, the first Grace Church was opened for public worship. Dr. Young's chief helper in all his building enterprises was J. H. Ashdown, Esq., and with him, in some of the work, were Messrs. Norquay and Smith of High Bluff, and Colonel Kennedy of Winnipeg. The stained glass windows that adorned the church, charmed the Indians who came from the far north, and as the sun shone through the windows they shouted, "The sunrise! The sunrise!"

In 1875 Capt. Wm. Robinson came to Winnipeg and immediately united with the first church. From that time forward Capt. Robinson was one of the leaders in all the great enterprises of Grace congregation.

In 1877 under the ministry of Rev. John F. German, the church building was enlarged. The increase of the population necessitated the erection of a third structure, and this served until the present Grace Church was built in 1883. It was fitting that the great cathedral of Methodism in Western Canada should be dedicated by Dr. Young.

A number of Winnipeg churches look upon Grace as their parent.

ZION CHURCH—In 1874, J. H. Ashdown, J. Palk and Colonel Kennedy helped Dr. George Young erect a church at the corner of King Street and Logan Avenue, costing \$1,900, where, under the auspices of Grace Church, a Sunday afternoon service was held, the Revs. Alan Bowerman and T. E. Morden, who were tutors in the Wesleyan Institute, being the chief workers.

WESLEY CHURCH—The first Wesley Church was erected on Bannatyne Avenue in 1881, Grace Church Sunday School supplying most of the officers, teachers, and scholars for Wesley Sunday School, which was under the care of Mr. Thomas Ryan. The congregation soon became too large for the building, but with the erection of Grace Church it was deemed advisable to seek a new site further away, and as the population was drifting westward, a location was found on the corner of Ross Avenue and Sherbrooke Street, and the church was removed there, and opened on Sunday, November 23, 1883.

MCDougALL MEMORIAL CHURCH—is named in honour of the sainted George McDougall, who was frozen to death on the prairie near Calgary. Zion Church, during the pastorate of the Rev. W. L. Rutledge, rented a small hall on Main Street, about half a mile north of the C.P.R. Station. On July 6, 1884, the formal opening of the mission took place.

FORT ROUGE CHURCH—On August 21, 1887, the church was opened, the Rev. Robert Cade of Port Arthur being the preacher for the day. Fort Rouge, now known as Crescent-Fort Rouge, is celebrating its diamond jubilee this year.

YOUNG CHURCH—In 1893 Grace Church started a mission in the south end of the city. A site was secured on the corner of Furby Street and Broadway, and a small church erected. Principal Riddell of Wesley College was the first minister. Two years ago Young Church celebrated its fiftieth anniversary.

The first Methodist Sunday School in the West, outside of those at the Indian Missions, was organized in 1868, in a camp on the prairie, near Colony Creek, west of Young Church, with Rev. George McDougall, the famous missionary, Dr. George Young, and five persons. The service was held in the English and Cree languages. Dr. Young was superintendent of the school till the fall of 1874, with Major Mulvey as assistant and Colonel Kennedy one of the teachers, when Mr. Thomas Nixon was appointed superintendent.

BROADWAY CHURCH—The imposing structure on Broadway, within a stone's throw of the Parliament Buildings and known as St. Stephen's-Broadway, is another child of Grace Church, and was founded by a group of Grace members in 1906 as Broadway Methodist Church.

EDUCATION—Another factor in the notable history of Grace Church is the part the church has played in connection with the promotion of higher education.

The Manitoba Wesleyan Institute was founded in 1873, by Dr. George Young, to supply higher education for the young people of the Red River Settlement and a small log building was erected on the lane near Hugh Sutherland's office. The primary department was opened in May, 1873, with Mrs. D. L. Clink as the first teacher and about thirty scholars. A two-storey building was erected, and on October 1st, 1873, the Institute was opened, with Principal Alan Bowerman, M.A., the Rev. T. E. Morden, B.A., and Miss McLean, who afterwards became Mrs. Palk. With the increased efficiency of the public school system, there was no further need for the Institute and it was closed in 1876. The following year Wesley College was incorporated by an act of the Provincial Legislature. Several years lapsed before the actual work of the college began, but in 1888 Dr. J. W. Sparling of Kingston, came west as principal of the college, and with Dr. G. J. Laird and R. R. Cochrane commenced classes in Grace Church. The first classes were held in two of the church classrooms, and the dimly lighted kitchen was used as a chemical laboratory. With seven students and three professors, Wesley College was started on its way.

HISTORICAL EVENTS—The first Methodist Conference was held in Wesley Hall, Main Street, in 1883. Dr. Young was designated the first president. Among the visitors to this conference, in its inaugural year, were the Honourable J. C. Aikins, Lieut.-Governor of Manitoba, and Henry Ward Beecher, the famous American preacher. It is interesting to note that the Rev. J. C. Hunter, father of the present minister of Knox Church, was the assistant secretary. At the last Methodist Conference attended by Dr. George Young, in Winnipeg, he took a number of ministers and laymen and showed them the spot outside the walls of old Fort Garry where he stood by Thomas Scott, when he was shot by Louis Riel. It lies on Main Street, south of the Union Station, not far from the bridge crossing the Assiniboine River, and a couple of yards east of the rails of the street railway.

The year 1885 witnessed stirring scenes within the bounds of the Conference. It saw the completion of Canada's first transcontinental railway, harbinger of progress and development. But it also saw the dark cloud of rebellion rise on our western sky. When conference assembled in June of that year although the horrors of protracted war had apparently been diverted, many of our people were under arms and peaceful occupations were at a standstill in many parts of the country. The pastoral address of '85 contains words of sympathy and encouragement for those whose "homes have been menaced and threatened with a visitation of the worst cruelties that savagery can invent." That of '86 returns thanks, that "through the blessing of God tranquility has returned to the land," and for the presence at conference of some who had been detained a year before by the danger which threatened their homes and the compulsion of armed service.

CHURCH UNION—It was within the walls of Grace Church that the first historic declaration seeking a definite union of the Methodist Congregational, and Presbyterian Churches was adopted. Rev. Dr. Wm. Patrick, then Principal of Manitoba College, proposed the resolution. In 1925 Grace entered with her sister churches of Canadian Methodism into organic union with the two other great denominations, and throughout the subsequent years she has continued to play a vital part in the religious life of the community and the province. It was appropriate that the Annual Sessions of the Manitoba Conference of the United Church should be held in Grace in this anniversary year.

THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY—Fifty-eight years ago, in March, 1885, a small group of women met in an upper room of Grace Church to form a Missionary Society. The first president was Mrs. J. B. Somerset, and the first secretary was Mrs. A. H. Culver. A great succession of splendid women have carried on this important work throughout the years. Some of those who pioneered the W.M.S. work in Grace Church are with us today, including Mrs. F. H. Davidson, Mrs. J. Ashbury.



Our First
Foreign Missionary

The first missionary to go from Grace Church was Miss Isabella M. Hargrave, whose consecrated life and work have left their impress on the people amongst whom she worked for twenty-five years in Japan. Since retiring from the foreign field and returning to the home base she has been a tower of strength and inspiration to the auxiliary, and is still an ardent worker in the cause of missions. In later years Miss Irene Thompson was sent out to China, where she served for several years, being afterwards transferred to Trinidad where she is still stationed.

PERSONALITIES—Many Grace Church members have risen to eminence in our provincial and national life. Grace Church has given three Lieutenant-Governors to the Province in the persons of the Honourable J. C. Aikins; the Honourable Sir J. A. M. Aikins, and the Honourable T. A. Burrows. The first two mentioned are grandfather and father respectively of a present member of the board, Col. G. Harold Aikins, who has just completed his year of office as President of the Canadian Bar Association.

The Honourable J. C. Aikins served Canada as Secretary of State, and Minister of Inland Revenue. He was later called to the Senate.



Sir J. A. M. Aikins

Sir James Aikins was for many years Superintendent of the Sunday School, while Lady Aikins was an earnest and loyal worker in many church activities.

Col. Aikins, following in his father's footsteps, was for several years leader of a Young Men's Bible Class in Grace Church. An interesting fact is, that when the Colonel enlisted and went overseas in the first World War, every member of the Bible Class joined the active forces.

Other names identified with Grace Church and writ large in the annals of Canadian history include: The Honourable J. W. Sifton, Speaker of the Assembly of Manitoba; Honourable Sir Clifford Sifton, Attorney-General and Minister of Education in the Manitoba Legislature, and Minister of the Interior for Canada; the Right Honourable Arthur L. Sifton, Prime Minister of Alberta and later becoming Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the North-West Territories; Sir R. Roblin, Prime Minister of Manitoba; D. C. Coleman, recently appointed President of the C.P.R., and his brother, E. H. Coleman, the present Under-Secretary of State for Canada. Both were active in the Young Men's Club; R. T. Riley, one of the founders of the Great West Life; R. J. Whitla, a merchant prince of Winnipeg; Honourable J. A. Lougheed, who became one of the leaders in the Senate of Canada; J. L. Rutledge, son of Dr. W. L. Rutledge, one of the early ministers of Grace Church, editor of the well-

known Canadian magazine, "Liberty"; Dr. S. D. Rice, who became minister of Grace Church in 1880 and was later appointed the first General Superintendent of the Methodist Church in Canada.

Space forbids the numbering of a host of names of men and women who deserve high rank as pioneers of our beloved church. We think of such names as: Ryan, Nixon, Elliott, Pettigrew, Sparling, Clarke, Parr, Bowles, Taylor, Ashdown, Wyatt, Clint, Bayley, Hutchison, Waddell, Garvin, Keenleyside, Banning, Tozeland, Fowler, Walsh, Blakeley, Tees, Ivey, Reid, Popham, Markle, Bier, Moody, Fennin, Groff, Cottingham, Preston, Chown, Jackson, Cole, Tallin, Neely, Van Vliet, Greenfield, Clement, Armitage, Andrews.

Special mention should be made of Mrs. R. McCullough, who has been a member of Grace and a regular attendant for sixty-five years, and also of Mrs. W. H. Deacon, Misses I. and E. Morris, Mrs. Capt. Wm. Robinson, and Mr. Homer Smith, all of whom were acquainted with every minister of Grace Church.

A GLORIOUS COMPANY—In the lecture hall is a group photograph of men and women who served in the Sunday School between the years 1868-1905, and who dedicated time, substance, and energy to the task of laying the foundations of the City of God in the young life of this community. When we think of this splendid band of workers (many of them have passed to their Great Reward) we realize that it is impossible to measure the far-reachingness of their ministry.

It is due in no small measure to their work that a multitude of men and women scattered throughout the world regard Grace with intense loyalty, and the term, "Old Grace" is uttered with profound reverence and genuine affection.

It is fit and proper, on this anniversary occasion, that we should recall the gallantry and courage of heroic men and women who, in the Name of Christ, fought a good fight for righteousness sake. These dauntless lovers of their race whose memories are enshrined in the hearts of this church fellowship proudly gathered,

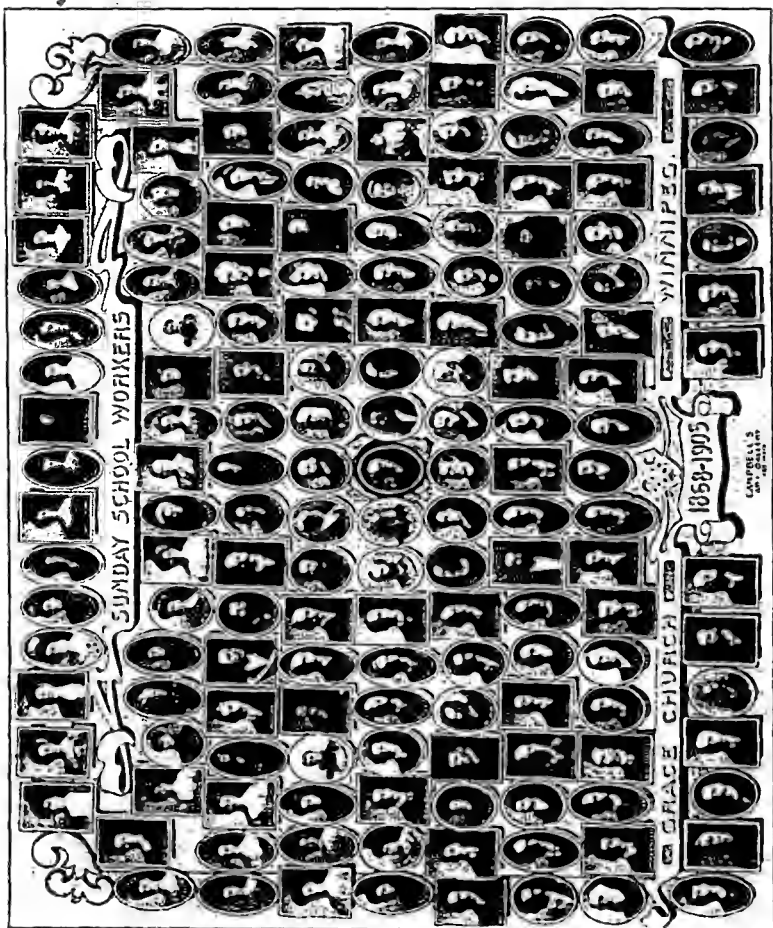
"Rank on rank to war,
As who had heard God's message from afar,
All they had hoped for—all they had they gave
To save mankind, themselves they scorned to save."

Of all whom we honour, named and unnamed, may we say, they sought no praise of man, sufficient it was for them that they were privileged to share in the Master's crusade for human Redemption, believing that they were helping forward that one far-off Divine event towards which the whole creation moves, when the Kingdom of Jesus Christ in all its Power and Glory, shall be the heritage and possession of every child of the race.

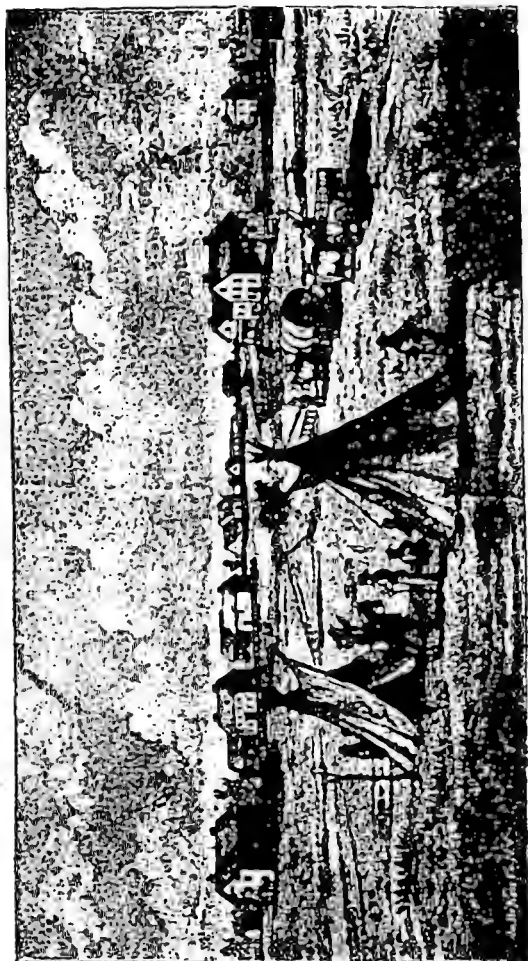
TIME MARCHES ON!—and with it the twin warriors—Opportunity and Responsibility. It is a cause for profound thanksgiving that the glorious witness of seventy-five years endures, and that the rich seed faithfully sown by the sacrificial efforts of the heroic pioneers of yesterday is constantly finding fruition in lives dedicated to the crusade of spiritual freedom throughout this favoured land. Grace Church is as a city set on a hill whose influence is a guiding beacon to men and women, youths and maidens, and little children who pass, "Where cross the crowded ways of life."

God grant that this year of anniversary, marking three-quarters of a century of conspicuous and faithful ministry, may result in the re-dedication to the Master's work of all whose names appear on the membership roll of this congregation, so that when the historian in the year 1968 records a hundred years of achievement, he will say as he reviews the efforts of this generation of our church life, "This was her shining hour."

REV. W. G. MARTIN:



A GLORIOUS COMPANY



WINNIPEG IN 1868, WHEN GRACE CHURCH WAS FOUNDED

Three Principals of Wesley College

(now United College)

The first classes were held in the rooms of Grace Church.



DR. J. H. RIDDELL
Principal,
1917-38



DR. J. W. SPARLING
First Principal,
1888-1912



DR. W. C. GRAHAM
Present Principal

Diamond Wedding Anniversaries

In the year when Grace Church is commemorating seventy-five years of fellowship, four of our members are celebrating an important event in their lives—Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Pickard and Mr. and Mrs. J. Jones are being congratulated upon having attained sixty years of wedded bliss. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Pickard were recipients of messages from Their Majesties, the King and Queen.

The "80" Club

This is a distinguished club with one condition of membership, namely, that those enrolled have reached the four-score milestone of life. When their birthdays arrive the church remembers them with a floral token of affection.

The Visitors' Book

Since the beginning of Mr. Martin's ministry in September, 1936, nearly seven thousand names have been inscribed in the visitors' register which lies open each Sunday in the vestibule of the church. Among the multitude of names every province of Canada is represented including the North-West Territories. That visitors to Grace Church hail from many parts of the world is seen in the fact that the register records worshippers from twenty-one countries. Canada, the United States, England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, South Africa, Portuguese West Africa, Russia, India, Australia, China, Czechoslovakia, Newfoundland, Holland, Trinidad, Honolulu, New Zealand, Belgium, Japan, Hong-Kong. Among the visitors was Mr. Percival Price, the Dominion carilloner who officiates at the chimes of the Peace Tower at Ottawa. Mr. Price made this notation in the register in tribute to the music of Grace Church, "A beautiful organ, a splendid organist."

GREETINGS



There is something about the building of foundations that gives a stimulus to men's minds and ideas. The house that is not built on solid foundations is doomed to fall. So it has been with the men who have laid the foundations of new countries. They realized that upon the foundations which they laid must rest the whole superstructure of future days, and many of them were stimulated to do great things in laying the foundations of Canada.

So it was with the men who founded Grace Church. Before Winnipeg was even a name on the map, they looked for the great future, and they were determined that the corner stone of religion should not be forgotten in the laying of the foundations of the new land. They were determined that the energy and self-sacrifice and enthusiasm, which had made the Methodist Church so great a factor in both the United States and Canada, should not be lacking in the new capital of the Canadian West. So they builded this church and dedicated it to the faith in which they believed.

For three-quarters of a century, Grace Church has stood in the very centre of Winnipeg, a source of inspiration to its people, a place of welcome for the new-comer, a mother church with many daughters as the city grew. The people of all faiths in Winnipeg will join the members of the church in giving thanks for the great service that Grace Church has rendered in this community, and in the hope that it will long continue its golden work.

R. F. McWILLIAMS,

Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba.



I have been much interested to learn that Grace United Church, the mother church of Methodism in the Canadian West, will celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary in the month of October.

Will you please convey to the members of the congregation my cordial greetings and hearty congratulations on this occasion; also my best wishes for the continued Christian influence of Grace Church in the years to come.

W. MACKENZIE KING,

Prime Minister of Canada.

GREETINGS



The seventy-fifth anniversary of Grace Church—an event of historical importance in the religious life of Manitoba—reminds us how long has been the life of this church and how short that of our province. The beginnings and associations of Grace Church go back beyond the creation of our Province of Manitoba to the days of the "Red River" settlement as one of the outposts of civilization.

Grace Church has provided leadership of the highest quality for three-quarters of a century. Its work lives in the souls of the many Christians who have gone through its portals.

On the notable occasion it is an honour to have the opportunity of acknowledging on behalf of the people of the Government of Manitoba, their gratitude for the great contribution which Grace Church and the members of its congregation have made to the religious and social life of Manitoba.

STUART GARSON, *Prime Minister of Manitoba.*



It gives me the utmost pleasure to extend the greetings and good wishes of Manitoba Conference to Grace Church on this, the seventy-fifth anniversary of its founding.

Grace Church was the Mother Church of Methodism in Western Canada. That is a matter for pride on her part, pride in the pioneer spirit that could look forward to the future and in noble self-sacrifice build a worthy structure, not alone for themselves, but for those who should come after them. Grace Church might well have rested upon her laurels, but through the years she has gone forward, serving the community in the spirit of her pioneer founders, but with an interest in the well-being of the cause of Christ far beyond her boundaries.

Grace Church has been served by a succession of devoted ministers who "were honoured in their generations, and were a glory in their days." She has been served through the years since her founding by earnest and consecrated leaders, teachers, and officials. She has had the love of hundreds who have found in her their spiritual mother.

For the present minister of Grace Church, who is worthily upholding the tradition of its pulpit, for its officials, teachers, and membership at large, who are keeping aloft the torch that was handed them, the prayer of the conference is that they may have a most successful and uplifting anniversary, whereby they may gather strength and inspiration to go on to greater achievements for God and for the Kingdom of His Son.

REV. GEORGE B. KING,
President, Manitoba Conference.

GREETINGS

The history of Grace Church is an integral part of the history of Winnipeg. For seventy-five years it has laboured for the social and spiritual advance of our people, and the labour has not been in vain. In that period many men whose names are household words have directed the affairs of this grand old church from its pulpit, and this great tradition has been maintained and enhanced by the present occupant.



My sincere congratulations to Grace Church, its officers and congregation, on its splendid record as a leader in things of the spirit, and my heart-felt wish that it may long continue to carry its power and influence to coming generations.

GARNET COULTER,

Mayor of Winnipeg.

It is with great pleasure that, on behalf of all of us in the United Church, I sent to the minister and people of Grace Church the heartiest congratulations on the seventy-fifth anniversary of the congregation.

Various churches have various titles. There is, for instance, the Brick Church in New York; in the town of Haddington, in Scotland, a church bears the proud title of "the Lamp of the Lothians." But it is difficult to imagine a finer title than that which Grace Church bears as the "Mother Church of Methodism in the West." At this time, your children in many another community, rise up to call you blessed, and our communion everywhere gives thanks for the "grace which has been committed unto" and which you have so freely communicated to others.



May our common Lord be with you all now and in long years to come. May you—minister, office-bearers and people alike—find in your work, prosperity; in your homes, happiness; and in your hearts, peace.

VERY REV. J. R. P. SCLATER,

Moderator, the United Church of Canada.

GREETINGS



The history of Grace United Church, may well be likened to that of our great Dominion as one of glorious achievement. From a small beginning in the year following Confederation it, too, has grown, until today it is considered the leading church of its denomination in the Canadian Northwest.

Its roll contains the names of some of the most honoured pioneers of Manitoba. The work they have done and the contribution they have made to the City of Winnipeg and to the development of the province has been very great. That its roll contains also the names of many prominent in public life today augurs well for the future.

On the seventy-fifth anniversary of its founding, I wish it well and I hope that its good work may continue. May its future be as glorious as its past!

JOHN BRACKEN.



On behalf of Winnipeg Presbytery of the United Church of Canada, I would extend to Grace United Church, its minister, office-bearers, members and adherents, heartiest felicitations on this, the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the church. Grace, the pioneer Methodist Church of Western Canada, has always been willing to pioneer, and by so doing has successfully met the challenge of changing conditions with a ministry which has been fruitful and effective. May it continue to do this for many years to come.

REV. ALEX. COX,

Chairman, Winnipeg Presbytery.



In the name of United College, I send warm and sincere greetings to the congregation of Grace Church. The college never forgets that one of its parent institutions, Wesley College, was enabled to begin its work, under the late Principal Sparling, through the hospitality of the mother church of Methodism in the West. The impact of Grace Church in the college has been a continuous factor in moulding its tradition and enriching its spirit. It is, therefore, fitting that we should rejoice with you in the rounding out of three-quarters of a century of devoted Christian service by the congregation of this historic church.

W. C. GRAHAM,

Principal, United College.

GREETINGS

I am one of the many who, throughout the years of its existence, have had reason to gratefully acknowledge the beneficent work and influence of Grace Church. As a member of its Young Men's Club years ago, I acquired knowledge and formed associations of enduring value.

May I venture the hope that it will continue to live and flourish, and that the future will afford it ever increasing opportunity to carry faith in the eternal verities to the minds and hearts of generations to come.

D. C. COLEMAN,

*Chairman and President,
Canadian Pacific Railway Company.*



Grace Church, Winnipeg, Seventy-fifth Anniversary.—The memories of forty or more years ago are a bit misty now. They have not, however, lost their sweet bliss for me. If there was some friction and unpleasantness, and it would be strange were there none, I have forgotten it. I think only of great kindness shown me by a generous and understanding people, who supported the services of the church with loving and enthusiastic loyalty. My most vivid memory is of the Mid-Week Service when the lecture room would frequently be full. The faces which come to me have, I know, for the most part vanished. Some few still remain. I do not think old Grace Church will ever die. The Gates of Hell cannot prevail against it.

REV. R. P. BOWLES.



I am pleased to add my tribute to the memory of the glorious company of good people of "Grace," who by their devotion and sacrifice loyally kept the Christian flag flying during these seventy-five years.

I have also great admiration for those who are continuing in the good work. No matter what may eventuate in your city, your church should be maintained as a beacon light and a harbour of refuge. It has a noble history. Its future may be more glorious. This is my hope and prayer.

J. RICHMOND CRAIG.



FORMER MINISTERS WHOSE MESSAGES



(Reading from left to right)

- 1868-1876—Rev. George Young, D.D.
 1876-1880—Rev. J. F. German, M.A.
 1880-1883—Rev. Samuel D. Rice, D.D.
 1883-1885—Rev. E. A. Stafford, D.D., LL.D.
 1885-1887—Rev. Alexander Langford, D.D.
 1887-1890—Rev. W. L. Rutledge, B.A.
 1890-1892—Rev. James Allen, M.A.
 1892-1897—Rev. George R. Turk
 1905-1909—Rev. William Sparling, D.D.

A Splendid Company of Talented Men Who

Rev. Matthew Robison
 Rev. Alan Bowerman, M.A.
 Rev. Henry Manning
 Rev. J. W. Bell, B.A.

Rev. J. A. McCamus
 Rev. J. E. Starr
 Rev. W. H. Spence
 Rev. J. H. Riddell, B.A., D.D., LL.D.

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(Reading from left to right)

1897-1901—Rev. Solomon Cleaver, D.D.

1901-1905—Rev. R. P. Bowles, D.D., LL.D.

1909-1913—Rev. Eber Crummy, B.Sc., D.D.

1913-1920—Rev. J. E. Hughson, B.A., D.D.

1920-1927—Rev. C. L. McIrvine, D.D.

1929-1936—Rev. J. Richmond Craig.

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Rev. S. E. Colwill

Rev. A. Willis Cann

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Rev. R. G. Burgoyne

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Reps. to Local Council	Mrs. E. R. Tennant, Mrs. G. W. Anderson
Rep. to Travellers Aid	Mrs. L. R. G. Crombie
War Knitting	Mrs. W. G. Martin, Mrs. G. H. Aikins

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Circle No. 6	Mrs. G. Crane

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Mr. D. L. Cameron	Mr. E. J. Adey	Mr. G. R. Ryan
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GIRLS' WORK COMMITTEE

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C.G.I.T.	Miss D. E. Hardham
Brownies	Miss P. Brown
Guides	Miss D. Chase
Rangers	Mrs. W. M. Campbell



REV. W. G. MARTIN

Received as a candidate for the Ministry of the Methodist Church in the Alberta Conference, 1910.

Educated at Victoria University, Toronto, where he received the gold medal for oratory.

Served as a chaplain in England and France in the First World War.

Has been a leader in social service work for many years.

Was Minister of Public Welfare in the Government of the Province of Ontario, 1930-34.

Received the King George VI Coronation Medal for work on behalf of the blind.

Is a world traveller. In 1935 was Historian and Observer with the Canadian Government Expedition to the Eastern Arctic. In 1939 made a comprehensive air tour of the Empire by invitation of Imperial Airways.

Is a distinguished lecturer on travel subjects and on the great masterpieces of our English literature.

His hobby is photography, and in his travel lectures he uses his own beautiful pictures taken in natural color.

His pulpit ministries include: Central Church, Calgary (as assistant); Dundas, Ontario; First Church, Hamilton; and First Congregational Church, Brantford. He has been minister of Grace Church, Winnipeg, since September, 1936.

GRACE CHURCH HONOUR ROLL

of those who mustered forth at the bugle's call in the day of the
Second World War.



"Who would true valour see
Let him come hither;
One here will constant be,
Come wind, come weather."

—John Bunyan.

ACHESON, A. J.
ACHESON, R. A.
ACHESON, J. S. (P)
ACHESON, ELEANOR
ANDERSON, J. W.
ARDINGTON, G. W.
ASHBRIDGE, S. J.
BAKER, T.
BANDEEN, W. R. (P)
BARCLAY, F.
BATER, C. (P)
BEVERIDGE, A.
BISSELL, F. H.
BISSELL, T. G.
BLANCHARD, W.
BOGART, G. C. (P)

BOGART, E. (P)
BOYD, F. D.
BOYD, R. H.
BURGESS, W. R.
BUSH, D. E.
BUTTLE, T. G.
CAMPBELL, R. S.
CAWSTON, H. E.
CHAPMAN, J.
COATES, A. J.
CODE, F. W.
CODE, R. B.
COOKE, W. E.
COLLISON, S. G.
COTTIER, T. (X)
COX, W.

CREIGHTON, L. H.
CROMBIE, H.
DEWIS, J.
DICK, E. A.
DICK, R.
DICK, W. E.
DICKIE, E. W. (P)
DRIER, F. A. (P)
DUFFILL, D. W.
EARL, R. D.
EDWARDS, E. A.
EWING, JEAN
EWING, J. K.
FARRAR, H.
FARRAR, K.
FINCH, LILLIAN.

FINNIE, J. M.
FRENZEL, W. H.
FRY, E. C.
GARGETT, J.
GIBSON, W. G. (X)
GILLESPIE, G.
GODIN, EFFIE
GODSON, J.
GRAHAM, A. R.
GRAHAM, W.
GRAHAM, D.
GRANDY, NORMA
GRIFFITH, O.
GROVES, G.
GROVES, G. H. (X)
GROVES, J. H.
HAINES, R.
HALEY, R. C.
HANLEY, HELEN
HENDERSON, R. V.
HENSHAW, R. H.
HERITY, B. A. T.
HERITY, F. W. (P)
HERITY, PATIENCE
HORTON, G. M.
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McCHEYNE, F. W.
McCULLOUGH, K. H.
McEWEN, E.
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MOORE, J.
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OLDFIELD, S. H.
OLSON, H. O.
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PORTER, R. F.
PORTER, R. L. G.
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PROUT, F. J.
RATCLIFFE, S.
RILEY, FRANCES
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ROBINSON, C. S. (X)
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ROGERS, W. H.
RONDEAU, A. D.
RUSSELL, R. F.
RUTHIG, L. A.
RUXTON, E. J.
RYAN, K. A.
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SIMMONS, J.
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SKINNER, G. H.
SLOAN, D.
SPEERS, C.
STEWART, F. M.
STRAND, F. L.
STYAN, D. S.
STYAN, S. W.
SUMMERFIELD, E. L.
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TAYLOR, L. B.
TENNANT, E. M.
THEOBOLD, W. W.
THORSTEINSON, O.
TILY, R. J. L.
TODD, J. C.
TYNDALE, L. V.
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WATKINS, C. H.
WATKINS, R. A. W.
WEBB, F. R.
WILSON, V.

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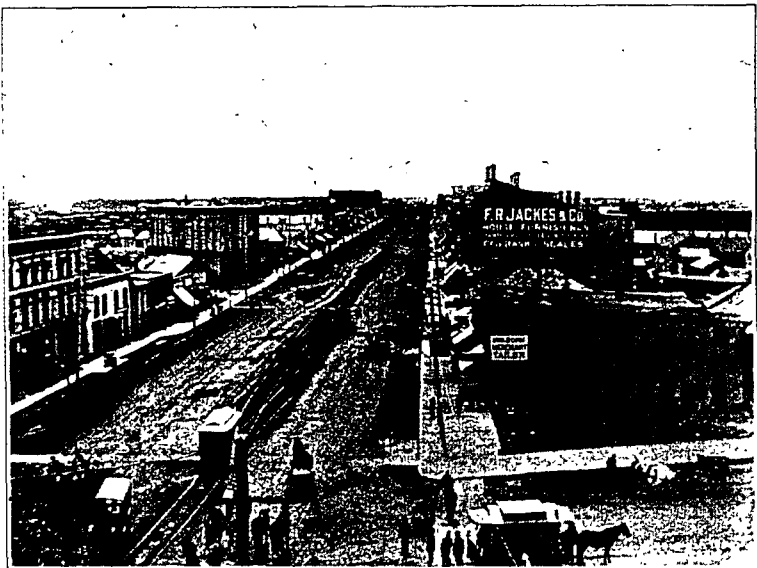
*Those who "laid the world away"; poured out the red
Sweet wine of youth; gave up the years to be
Of work and joy, and that unhopd serene
That men call age; and those who would have been
Their sons; they gave their immortality.*

—Rupert Brooke.

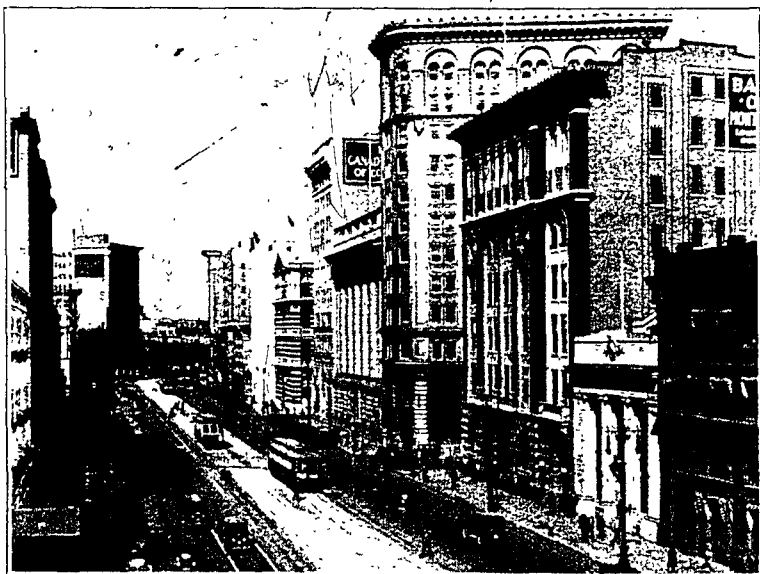
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ROBINSON, C. S.

(X) Killed on Active Service. (P) Prisoner of War. (M) Missing.



WINNIPEG, 1883



WINNIPEG, 1943

WAR WORK

From the time when Canada entered the war in 1939 the people of Grace Church have been busily engaged in serving the national cause. The click-click of knitting needles and the hum of sewing machines have become familiar sounds.

The Grace Women's War Service Committee has been very busy knitting socks, scarves, sweaters, and mitts.

A group of young women has performed an impressive task in making garments for babies overseas.

Red Cross activities have kept many of our women very busy, and one group has devoted a day a week packing Red Cross boxes for prisoners of war. Mrs. G. E. Horton is the group captain of the following committee of workers: Mrs. T. Barber, Mrs. E. C. Bucknam, Mrs. E. C. Burlingham, Mrs. N. W. Code, Mrs. Geo. Crane, Mrs. L. Emerson, Mrs. G. B. Grandy, Mrs. W. S. King, Mrs. Mary Maxwell, Mrs. E. R. Tennant, Mrs. H. R. Tweed, Mrs. J. Webb, Miss C. Overton, Miss L. A. Corben, Mrs. C. Howse, Mrs. H. Hockin.

In June 1941 we held a memorable service when the congregation placed upon a huge model ship, three-quarter ton of foodstuffs to be sent to the bombed city of Bristol.

In 1942 we had a Survivors' Bag Sunday with another great response.

Every week Air Force Auxiliary groups meet within our walls, and from its inception in 1939 the auxiliary has made Grace Church its meeting headquarters.

Several military bands have engaged in training here, including the pipe band of the Camerons which went to Dieppe. Sometimes we fancy we can hear the echoes of the pipes which played upon the beach during that epic assault.

Two bands of the No. 2 Command R.C.A.F., have trained within our walls.

Last winter a committee of Grace Church ladies packed and forwarded a consignment of well-filled boxes to our men and women overseas. The group included Mesdames H. R. Tweed, H. C. Thompson, E. J. Adey, George Crane.

The church office and the minister keep in touch by letter with all of our enlisted members, and many interesting letters reach us from those who serve.

In February the Story Hour Club sent a batch of valentines to British children.

Letters of Appreciation

The Council House,
Bristol.

Dear Mr. Martin:

The very generous gift of food has arrived safely. The cases have all been unpacked now and there will be many of our people grateful to you and your congregation during the next few months. We are not allowed to give the tea and sugar out as gifts, as owing to the rationing regulations these can only be distributed in liquid form, so they will be used to provide Christmas cheer for the people in the most badly bombed areas of Bristol, or in mobile canteens after raids. The tobacco and chocolate has been sent to a hospital which still has a number of men and women seriously injured in last winter's raids, and the rest of the food is being made up into parcels and is to be distributed after raids, as necessity arises.

I have now relinquished office as Lord Mayor, and my successor, Alderman E. T. Cozens, joins me in once again sending our very sincere thanks to you and your people for their display of practical Christianity.

Yours sincerely,

T. H. J. UNDERDOWN,

Deputy Lord Mayor.

Guildhall,
Bath.

Dear Mr. Martin:

You doubtless know of the terrible calamity which has overtaken the historic City of Bath and this is to let you know that Mrs. Leonard, the wife of the ex-Sheriff of Bristol, has forwarded me one hundred and forty-nine packages of food which I understand have been supplied to her by your church.

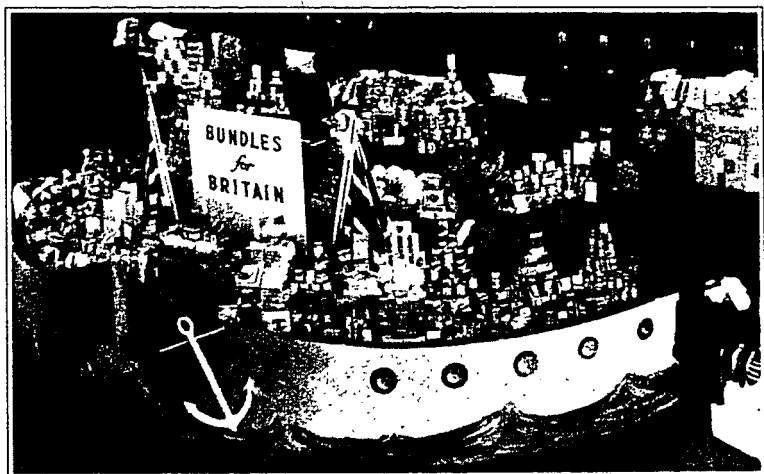
It is quite impossible to exaggerate the chaos that obtained here and this distribution of food was enormously appreciated.

I beg you to convey to all those concerned my most appreciative thanks for this kindly participation in our troubles.

Yours sincerely,

AUBREY BATEMAN,

Mayor of Bath.



This wonderful display of food for the bombed areas of Britain was presented by the congregation of Grace Church on Sunday, June 1st, 1941



On Sunday, February 8th, 1942, the congregation filled these bags with new clothing for gallant men of the Merchant Navy who had been the victims of torpedo attacks

TWO BIBLES

Throughout the Anniversary Services two historic Bibles will be used by the ministers. The inscription within one is in the handwriting of Dr. George Young and reads as follows:

*Presented to the Wesleyan Church at the "High Bluff" for
the use of the occupants of their pulpit.*

*May the Gracious Presence of that ever Glorious One "who
holds the seven stars in His right hand and walks in the midst
of the seven Golden Candlesticks" ever be realized by His wor-
shippers in this sanctuary, and may many souls be born into
His Kingdom within these walls.*

Winnipeg, Dec. 2nd, 1871

GEO. YOUNG

This Bible is loaned for the Anniversary Services through the kindness of the Rev. G. B. King, D.D., President of the Manitoba Conference, 1943.

The other Bible is the one which has been used constantly in the pulpit services of Grace Church for over seventy years and contains this inscription:

TO THE FIRST WESLEYAN CHURCH
TOWN OF WINNIPEG
RED RIVER DISTRICT
FROM
WM. GOODERHAM, JUNR.
TORONTO, ONTARIO

*He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them
from their destructions. Psalms cvii:20.*

*Then bath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto
life. Acts xi:18.*

SPECIAL EVENTS IN 1943

Services

- Jan. 27—Annual Meeting of Church.
Feb. 7—International Pulpit Exchange.
Feb. 28—Madrigal Choir of the University of North Dakota.
Mar. 21—The Gideons' Annual Bible Dedication Service.
April 11—Service of Tribute to R.C.A.F.
April 21—Rev. W. G. Martin's Lecture, "The Robe."
May 16—Winnipeg General Hospital Baccalaureate Service, and Nurses' National Memorial Service.
May 23—Job's Daughters' Annual Service.
May 31-June 4—Manitoba Conference United Church.
June 6—Royal Arch Masons' Service.
June 13—Salute to Magna Carta and The Declaration of Independence.
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Special Speakers

- Feb. 7—Dr. Geo. Mecklenburg, Minneapolis.
Feb. 21—Dr. Harry Williams, China.
Feb. 28—Ernest McEwen, R.C.A.F.
March 28—Prof. A. H. Foster, Brandon College.
April 11—S.-Leader G. Vlastos, R.C.A.F., Queen's University, Toronto.
May 30—S.-Leader J. D. Parks, R.C.A.F.
June 15—Dr. Bernard Cockett, Pitt Street Congregational Church, Sydney, Australia.
June 27—Dr. Basil Mathews, London, England.
Summer Preachers—
Dr. A. J. Brace, International Secretary Y.M.C.A., Toronto.
Dr. Joseph T. Hill, Richmond, Virginia.

SPECIAL EVENTS IN 1943

Church Parades

- March 21—No. 10 Vocational School.
April 4—Lord Strathcona's Horse Association.
April 18—City of Winnipeg Fire Department.
April 25—Canadian Legion, Winnipeg Command.
May 9—The Order of the Daughters of England.
May 16—Winnipeg Companies of the Girl Guide Association.
May 30—Veterans' Guard of Canada.
June 13—C.W.A.C.'s, Winnipeg Companies.
June 20—Corps of Commissionaires, Manitoba Division.
June 27—St. John Ambulance Association.
Sept. 19—Winnipeg Sea Cadets.
Nov. 28—Sons of Scotland.
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Sunday Night Firesides

Throughout the winter these popular programmes were presented following the evening services. The following artists took part in the 1943 season:

VOCAL—Wilford Davidson, W. Davidson Thomson, Constance Stefani, Linton Kent, J. Roberto Wood, Harold Scarth, Gertrude Newton, Gladys Whitehead, W. H. Gregory, Olga Irwin, Grace Lowery, Kerr Wilson, Alex. Ross, Eileen Chapman, Sylvia Price, Jean Warlicker.

PIANO—Phyllis Holtby, Douglas Milton, Jean T. Tweed, L/AC H. Mearman, R.A.F.; E. Edwards, R.A.F.; Muriel Dunlop, T. Laidlaw, Bernice Ibbetson, Mrs. Kerr Wilson.

ELOCUTION—Jean Campbell, Bessie Millar.

INSTRUMENTAL—The Landon Orchestra, The Salvation Army Band, Edna Henderson, violin; The Junior Musical Club; Bornoff School Pupils.

THE ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

SUNDAY—October 17th

11 a.m.—The Communion of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

Preacher: Rev. W. G. Martin.

"OUR CHIEFEST GLORY"

3.30 p.m. Reunion—Young Men's Club.

A meeting of former members will be held in the club room.

Chairman.....	Mr. R. H. Hutton
Co-Chairman.....	Mr. C. T. Caney
Speakers.....	Dean R. Fletcher Argue
	Prof. Watson Thompson
Music.....	Mr. J. C. W. Agnew

Supper will be served following the meeting.

7 p.m.—The Club will attend the evening service.

Rev. W. G. Martin will preach.

Soloist—Norman Lucas, baritone of C.B.C.

The Young Men's Club of Grace Church during the years 1912 to 1915 was a real live organization.

The membership was composed for the main part of young men, newly arrived from the Old Country, in search of good companionship.

Addresses would be given by such leaders of thought as: Dr. W. T. Allison, Dr. Salem Bland, J. S. Woodsworth, M.P.; Dean R. Fletcher Argue, Rev. W. D. Bayley, F. J. Dixon, M.L.A., etc.

Thursday evening or Sunday afternoon, when a religious period was held, sometimes found as many as one hundred and twenty-five men jammed into the club room.

It is interesting to note that during the first Great War, 1914 to 1918, a platoon was recruited from the members of the Young Men's Club of Grace Church. This platoon was under the command of Lt. T. H. Wilson, 203rd Battalion, which was known as the Hard and Dry Battalion.

SUNDAY—October 24th

Preacher—REV. W. G. MARTIN

11 a.m.—“A Stone of Memorial.”

Old-time members of Grace Church will be the guests of honour. A Memorial Service for members who have passed into the larger Fellowship of the Church Triumphant will be held. This portion of the service will be conducted by Rev. J. H. Riddell, D.D.

A Service of Official Recognition

7 p.m.—

SPEAKERS:

His Honour, The Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, R. F. McWilliams, Esq., K.C.

The Honourable Stuart Garson, Prime Minister of Manitoba

His Worship, The Mayor of Winnipeg, Garnet Coulter, Esq., K.C.

A Star of Service Plaque honouring those who have gone forth in the day of the muster will be unveiled by His Honour, The Lieutenant-Governor.

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A FANFARE OF TRUMPETS

by

Trumpeters and Drummers of the No. 2 Training Command, R.C.A.F.

(By kind permission of the Air Officer Commanding)

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Soloist for the day: Phyllis McAuley, contralto.

THE 75th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 26th, 1943

6.15—Organ Recital—Mr. Stanley Osborne.

6.30—

The Far-Famed Chicken Dinner

followed by

A Program of Unusual Interest

"AN EPIC OF 75 YEARS"

A motion picture of the activities of Grace Church
especially filmed by Rev. W. G. Martin assisted by
Mr. E. W. F. Hawkins.

A Program of Music

will be presented by

The Orchestra

of the

Bornoff School of Music

Rose Zacek, Solo Violinist

Mary Morrison, Vocalist

TICKETS

(Including Dinner and Concert)

50 Cents

SUNDAY—October 31st

GUEST PREACHER:

Rev. Howard Thurman, D.D.

Dean of the Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D.C.



Dr. Thurman is an eminent preacher. Dr. Joseph T. Hill, who occupied the pulpit of Grace Church this summer, regards Dr. Thurman as the most outstanding preacher of his race in America.

He is a keen student of world affairs. In a tour of India and Burma he preached in more than twenty-five colleges and universities. He has, in like manner, served scores of colleges in the U.S.A. and Canada, and was Convocation lecturer at the University of Toronto in a Religion and Life series of addresses.

Dr. Thurman's subjects will be:

11 a.m.—"The Quest for Fulfilment."

7 p.m.—"The Soundless Passion of a Single Mind."

Soloist for the day: Morley Margolis, baritone.

MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 1st

Dr. Thurman's Lecture:—

"Religion and the Disinherited"

8.15 o'clock.

SUNDAY—November 7th

GUEST PRÉACHER:

Rev. Geo. Mecklenburg, D. D.

Wesley Methodist Church, Minneapolis



Dr. Mecklenburg has been for fifteen years minister of one of the most flourishing churches of the United States. He is a renowned preacher-lecturer-traveller.

It is fitting that the pastor of a great Methodist Church of the Western States should be one of the preachers when the Mother Church of Methodism in Western Canada celebrates seventy-five years of work and witness.

Dr. Mecklenburg's subjects will be:

11 a.m.—"We Believe."

7 p.m.—"What the War is Doing to Us."

Soloist for the Day—Grace Lowery, soprano.

TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 9th

Dr. Mecklenburg's Lecture:—

"The Crash of Europe"

With motion pictures in natural color.

8.15 o'clock.

SUNDAY—December 5th

Madrigal Club
of the
University of North Dakota
(Conductor Hywel C. Rowland)

Will sing at both services

MONDAY—December 6th

Madrigal Choir Concert

The programme will include

THE GREAT VESPERS of the RUSSIAN CHURCH

A tribute to our gallant Allies.

After the Bolshevik revolution in Russia, it was felt there was a danger of losing the beauties of many of the great rituals of this historic church. It was with the idea of preserving these for future generations that Mr. Austris A. Wihtol, the distinguished Latvian composer and conductor, undertook the task of putting them into English. It is necessary that the choir act in a dual capacity—both as ministers of music and as part of the congregation. It is earnestly hoped that all present will join in making this a truly devotional experience and it is requested that there be no applause at the conclusion of the Vespers.



SUNDAY EVENING, December 12th

At Seven o'Clock

Rev. W. G. Martin will present
his annual interpretation of

Dickens' Immortal Story

"A CHRISTMAS CAROL"

Mr. Martin's recital will honour the centenary of this beloved story which was published a few days before Christmas, in the year 1843.

Mr. Martin's portrayal of this masterpiece story has become an institution in Grace Church and each year is looked forward to by multitudes.



THE SHEPHERD OF THE STORY HOUR CLUB

SUNDAY—December 19th

GUEST PREACHER:

Rev. J. Richmond Craig

St. James United Church, Ottawa.

Mr. Craig is the only former minister of Grace Church now in the active ranks of the United Church.

For seven years Mr. Craig filled the pulpit of Grace with great ability and acceptance, and won to himself an unnumbered host of friends.

It is a happy thing that this great year of celebration culminates with the voice and presence of J. Richmond Craig.

Mr. Craig's subjects will be:

11 a.m.—"THE TRUMPET CALL TO PROGRESS."

7 p.m.—"MAN—THE VICEROY OF GOD."

MONDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 20th

Mr. Craig's Lecture:—

"Modern Miracles"

8.15 o'clock.

SUNDAY—December 26th
CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Preacher: REV. W. G. MARTIN

Morning Subject:

"When Heaven Joined Earth"

(Broadcast over C K Y)

At the Evening Service:

"Why The Chimes Rang"

A beautiful Pageant in which the Minister will be assisted
by the Choir and Young People of the Church.

Soloists for the day: Sylvia Price - Olga Andree



BIDDING FAREWELL TO A 75th ANNIVERSARY YEAR SUMMER PREACHER,
REV. JOSEPH T. HILL, D.D.

ANNIVERSARY FIRESIDES

After Church at 8.30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall.

October 17th—Linton Kent, Tenor. Douglas Milton, Pianist.

October 24th—"The Carolers."

Well known radio ensemble under the direction of
Berythe Birse.

Accompanist, Joyce Hawkins.

Sound Picture, "Sicilian Campaign." A dramatic portrayal of
an epic struggle.

October 31st—Olga Irwin, Soprano. Jean Walker, Violinist.

November 7th—Salvation Army Citadel Band.

Conductor, Henry Merritt. Reta Callan, Pianist.

December 5th—Madrigal Choir of University of North Dakota.

75th ANNIVERSARY CHRISTMAS TEA and SALE OF WORK

Under the auspices of the Women's Association

EATON ASSEMBLY HALL

Wednesday, December 1st

2.30 p.m.—5.30 p.m.

THE 75th ANNIVERSARY THANKOFFERING

Every member, adherent, and friend of Grace Church is given an opportunity of having a practical share in our 75th Anniversary. We need \$1,500 for the carrying on of our great downtown enterprise—an insignificant sum set over against that which we, as loyal Canadians, are giving to the war effort. Let us keep in mind that our brave lads are giving their all in a supreme act of dedication to win the Peace, but that that Peace will be secure and abiding only if the foundations of religion are honoured and accepted as an integral part of our national life.

The Thankoffering is a vital factor in the success of our Anniversary.

If each of us has the will and resolve to do "my best," we shall strengthen the financial bulwarks of our church in a manner which will enable us to expand our field of service in the heart of Winnipeg.

W. G. MARTIN, Minister.

E. R. TENNANT,
Chairman of the Board.

H. HOCKIN, Treasurer.

An Anniversary Resolve

To give and give again
What God has given Thee,
To spend thyself, nor count the cost,
To serve right gloriously
The God who made all worlds that are
And all that are to be.

The Citizens of Tomorrow



THE FRIDAY AFTERNOON STORY HOUR CLUB

It is our responsibility
To prepare the soil where-in
The flowers of the Nation
Shall blossom, and bring
Forth an abundant harvest
To the Glory of God, and the
Peace and Happiness of Mankind.

His Majesty the King ended his 1942 Christmas broadcast with the following story. It portrays the spirit of Christian brotherhood which has been the genius of the men and women who made Grace Church fellowship a vital factor in the life of this community:

*Here is a simple poem,
Not a new story, but I love it much—
'Tis a true story with the human touch
Well worth the weaving into simple rhyme,
Well worth the bearing for the second time.*

*A pale-faced laddie, underfed, alack!
Was bearing on his far too slender back
A crippled child
Whose irons increased his weight,
Whose fretful cries proclaimed his weary
state.*

*"Don't cry," the other begged, "we'll soon be
there."*

*A passerby, amazed, approached the pair,
Said, with compassion in his voice and eyes,
"Too big a burden, lad, for your small size."
The boy looked puzzled, perhaps he had not
heard.*

*Oh yes, he had—'twas just one curious word
That made him hesitate.*

*And then again as one man talks with frank-
ness to another;*

*"That's not a burden, sir; why, that's my
brother!"*